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The Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate, Commissioner Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Room 8-A204 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No 96-45

Dear Commissioner Tate:

I am writing on behalf of Oregon-Idaho Utilities, Inc. and Humboldt Telephone Company to express support for the recommendation of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service to place an interim, emergency cap on the amount of high-cost universal service support that competitive eligible telecommunications carriers (CETCs) may receive.

Oregon-Idaho and Humboldt are incumbent rural local exchange companies that serve approximately 1,900 customers who are spread across two service areas in Oregon, Idaho, and Nevada that total over 10,000 square miles. As high-cost ILECs, these companies depend on universal service funding to meet the costs of providing local exchange service and broadband access service to our rural customers at affordable rates.

The Joint Board's recommendation correctly recognizes that CETCs are the source of the uncontrolled growth in universal service funding and proposes to place a funding cap on CETC support, pending development of long-term solutions to universal service issues. Unless the fund growth is stabilized, the entire universal service support system is threatened, which could have dire consequences for rural America and for the nation as a whole. We appreciate the Joint Board's leadership on this issue and fully support its recommendation.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey F. Beck, President

OREGON-IDAHO UTILITIES, INC. HUMBOLDT TELEPHONE COMPANY 510/338-4621 jbeck@or-id.com

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Sincerely, Kay Flesner

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David W. Cox V.P. of Administration Moultrie Independent Telephone Company

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Sincerely,

Michelle Wright Adams Telephone Co-Operative

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Sincerely,

Gwen Kunz

Accounting Dept.

Home Telephone Co.

St. Jacob, IL 62281

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Paula Monari Mid Century Telephone Cooperative

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Shelly Shawgo

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Sincerely.

Eric Lee

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Tammy Barnard Mid Century Telephone Company

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Sincerely,

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Kevin Hranicka Van Buren Telephone Company, Inc. 617 First Street Keosauqua, IA 52565-0430

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